

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS****Claims pending**

- At time of the Action: Claims 1-20.
- After this Response: Claims 1-20.

**Canceled or Withdrawn claims:** None.

**Amended claims:** 1, 9, 13-16, and 20.

**New claims:** None.

1. **(Currently Amended)** A pipe holder, comprising:

a body member having a first end and a second end, ~~wherein the body member defines an opening proximate the first end of the body member; and~~

a support member extending away from the body member at a point intermediate of the first end and the second end such that the pipe holder has a generally T-shaped configuration, wherein the body member and the support member are integral with one another, wherein the support member and the first end of the body member include respective means for engaging a structure external to the pipe holder, and wherein the second end of the body member defines an opening for receiving the pipe.

2. **(Original)** The pipe holder of claim 1, wherein the pipe holder is fabricated from a metal.

3. **(Original)** The pipe holder of claim 1, wherein the pipe holder is fabricated from a plastic.

4. **(Original)** The pipe holder of claim 1, wherein the opening is a circular-shaped opening.
5. **(Original)** The pipe holder of claim 1, wherein the body member defines a second opening.
6. **(Original)** The pipe holder of claim 5, wherein the second opening is a threaded opening.
7. **(Previously Presented)** The pipe holder of claim 5, wherein the second opening is positioned between the support member and the second end of the body member.
8. **(Previously Presented)** The pipe holder of claim 1, wherein the body member further includes a hook portion proximate the second end of the body member.
9. **(Currently Amended)** The pipe holder of claim 1, wherein the support member extends perpendicularly from the body member, and wherein the engaging means of the support member and the first end of the body member include respective set screws adapted to engage the external structure.
10. **(Previously Presented)** The pipe holder of claim 5, wherein the support member defines a third opening.

11. **(Previously Presented)** The pipe holder of claim 10, wherein the third opening is a threaded opening.

12. **(Original)** The pipe holder of claim 1, wherein the support member includes a hook portion proximate a second end of the support member.

13. **(Currently Amended)** A ladder, comprising:  
first and second side rails;  
a cross member connected to the first and second side rails; and  
a pipe holder connected to the crossmember, wherein the pipe holder includes:  
a body member having a first end and a second end, ~~wherein the body member defines an opening proximate the first end of the body;~~ and  
a support member extending approximately perpendicularly from the body member at a point intermediate of the first end and the second end such that the pipe holder has a generally T-shaped configuration, wherein the body member and the support member are integral with one another, wherein the support member and the first end of the body member include respective means for engaging a structure external to the pipe holder, and wherein the second end of the body member defines an opening for receiving the pipe.

14. **(Currently Amended)** The ladder of claim 13, wherein the pipe holder is removably connected to the crossmember via the engaging means.

15. **(Currently Amended)** The ladder of claim 14, wherein the pipe holder is removably connected to the crossmember with engaging means in the form of a set screw.

16. **(Currently Amended)** The ladder of claim 14, wherein the pipe holder is removably connected to the crossmember with engaging means in the form of an elastic hook.

17. **(Original)** The ladder of claim 13, wherein the pipe holder is fixedly connected to the crossmember.

18. **(Original)** The ladder of claim 17, wherein the pipe holder is fixedly connected to the crossmember with a fastener.

19. **(Original)** The ladder of claim 13, wherein the pipe holder is formed integral with the crossmember.

20. (Currently Amended) A ladder, comprising:

first and second side rails;

a cross member connected to the first and second side rails; and

a pipe holder connected to the crossmember, wherein the pipe holder includes:

a body member having a first end and a second end, wherein the body member includes means for allowing a length of pipe to pass therethrough; and

a support member extending away from the body member at a point approximately midway between the first end and the second end such that the pipe holder has a generally T-shaped configuration, wherein the body member and the support member are integral with one another, and wherein the support member and the first end of the body member include respective hook portions for engaging the crossmember; and

wherein the pipe holder is connected to the crossmember so as to dispose the length of pipe perpendicularly to the crossmember.